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Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society

Established April 5, 1958 to promote the appreciation and cultivation of daffodils. Membership is open to anyone interested in daffodils.

Visit Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society at www.daffodiltn.org and on Facebook.

Welcome, Mary Lou! We are sorry to say that the 2021 Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society's show at Cheekwood has been canceled. Also canceled are the Georgia Daffodil Society, the East TN Daffodil Society, and the Mid-South (Memphis) Daffodil Show. That's the bad news, but there is some good news, too.

GOOD NEWS

1) The American Daffodil Society has planned an exceptional virtual event, a **Virtual Spring Convention 2021 "Reach for the Stars"** with presentations for the public from February 25 - May 1 and for the incredibly low price of \$25 (ADS members) or \$35 (non-ADS members) with registration by February 20. Registration is \$10 more after February 20. You can learn more about the event and can register here: <https://daffodilusa.org/events-show-calendar/national-convention/2021-virtual-national-convention/>. You can read about a few of the presentations below in the inserted ADS e-news, but there are many more fine

presentations available for daffodil enthusiasts as well as a daffodil photography show anyone can enter! The Convention features presenters from N. Ireland, Germany, New Zealand, Australia, the USA, and an exclusive view of the documentary "The Path of the Daff." Some presentations are recorded and will be available for viewing for 10 days after the live presentation on request. See the link above for more information.

2) **MTDS will have a virtual meeting via Zoom on Sunday, February 21, 2021 at 2:00 pm Central.** Join us to see your daffy friends, find out how everyone is doing and share any early blooming daffodils or daffodil news you might have.

Becky Fox Matthews is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Becky Fox Matthews' MTDS Zoom Meeting

Time: Feb 21, 2021 02:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85987790416?
pwd=NFJHc1ZYdXI5UkhDT29lZUp2UjltQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85987790416?pwd=NFJHc1ZYdXI5UkhDT29lZUp2UjltQT09)

Meeting ID: 859 8779 0416

Passcode: 056479

Instructions on how to use Zoom are available at the ADS Convention link above under Good News item 1. If you haven't yet used Zoom and would like to do a practice call, contact Becky Fox Matthews at becky@lostfrogs.com or 615-838-1359 (cell).

3) Since we were unable to have our show or the fall meeting and bulb swap last year and cannot have our show this spring, we have decided that **with this year's paid membership dues to MTDS you will receive two years of membership! If you are not yet a member we hope you will become a member this year!** Annual MTDS membership is \$20 individual, \$25 family, \$30 group. Make your check out to MTDS, include your name, address, phone number and email address and mail it to Carol Smith, 206 50th Ave N., Nashville, TN 37209. **Carol will credit you with a two-year membership! This is a one time offer and is good only if your envelope is postmarked on or before March 1, 2021.**

Hopefully we will be able to have some daffodil digs this summer and a bulb swap and meeting in the fall!



2021 Virtual National Convention News!

The American Daffodil Society (ADS) will ***Reach for the Stars in 2021*** with a phenomenal line-up of Speakers and Events at the first 2021 Virtual National Convention scheduled for multiple weekends from February 25 to May 1, 2021!

In this newsletter we are focusing on our [Schedule of Activities](#) during March at the 2021 Virtual National Convention. The ADS Virtual National Convention should be of interest to anyone who wants to learn more about daffodils.

Please sign-up and invite your gardening friends to participate in this special event.

Registration is OPEN!



Please review the Registration policies and process explained in the [Convention Registration section](#) on the 2021 Virtual National Convention page. **The fee is \$25 for members of the ADS and \$35 for non-members until February 20.** The registration fees will increase to \$35 for ADS members and \$45 for non members effective February 21. Proceed to the [ADS WebStore](#) to select your registration components and render payment by Credit Card, PayPal, or Check. **Registration will remain open throughout the conference.** Consider registering for this extraordinary opportunity to attend the ADS Virtual National Convention.

March 2021 Activities!

The 2021 Virtual National Convention eases into Spring with some wonderful events scheduled throughout March. **All times for activities are using USA Eastern Time Zone.**

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

7:00 pm — **Judges Refresher: “Daffodil Jeopardy Game”**. Don’t let your daffodil judging skills be in jeopardy! Your host will be — Becky Fox Matthews of Brentwood, TN. Contestants need not apply in advance and non-judges are also welcome to attend. *Everyone can play along!* Be sure to register in advance via the [ADS WebStore](#), if you want to receive Judges Refresher credit.



Wednesday, March 10, 2021



7:00 pm — **“BUTTERFLIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD”**, presented by **Andrea Schepmann of Cincinnati, Ohio**. Andrea Schepmann will share stories of bringing butterflies from all over the world to enchant thousands of visitors attending the blockbuster Butterfly Show at Krohn Conservatory in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

7:00 pm — **“HOT WATER TREATMENT FOR DAFFODILS USING SOUS VIDE UNIT”**, presented by **Kathleen Simpson of Gandeewille, West Virginia**. Kathleen will lead us through an instructional session on Hot Water Treatment for the control of pests in daffodil bulbs.



Sunday, March 21, 2021

2:00 pm — **ADS ONLINE DAFFODIL AUCTION BEGINS ON eBay!** Auction



closes on Sunday, March, 28, 2020. Check the listings you're interested in for the exact time bids close on that day – it varies slightly for each listing. *Please note:* Any eBay member can bid at our ADS Online Bulb Auction.

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

6:00 pm — **"LET'S TALK HISTORICS! DAFFODIL SLEUTHING: SHOW AND TELL TIME"** – Join Sara Van Beck of Atlanta, Georgia, and daffodil friends Janet Hickman of Lynchburg, VA, Genie Applegate of Gloucester, VA, Ross Hornsby of Auburn, Alabama and Linda Eirhart of Winterthur DE, for an hour of lively discussion about Historic Daffodils.



Sunday, March 28, 2021



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Wednesday, March 31, 2021

12:00 pm — **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE [ADS ONLINE PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW](#).**



6:00 pm — **"BREEDING ADVANCES IN DIVISIONS 5, 6, 7, 8 AND 10 IN AUSTRALIA"**, presented by **Lawrence Trevanion of Australia**. Lawrence breeds all kinds of daffodils, every division, flowering for about 8 months from March to October. Thousands of crosses later he is still discovering new and exciting things about daffodils. Lawrence will discuss daffodil breeding advances in Australia.

For further details about the extensive 2021 ADS Virtual National Convention, please visit our [2021 Virtual National Convention page](#) on the ADS website, and take advantage of this splendid opportunity to "Reach for the Stars" in the virtual world of daffodils.

Cordially,
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Early blooming daffodils in middle Tennessee



'Lima's Green Road' 12 G-G, non-hardy, bloomed in a pot 12/10/2020



'Green With Envy' 12 Y-GYY, bloomed outdoors on 1/1/2021



Miniature 'Tarlatan' 10 W-W, in bloom outdoors on 1/30/2021



'Miss Muffit' 1 Y-Y, bloomed outdoors on 1/30/2021



Daffodil 'Grand Soleil d'Or' 8 Y-O, a favorite paperwhite for winter forcing

Do You have Website Building Experience?

MTDS is looking for a volunteer Webmaster who can put together a new MTDS website, preferably using WordPress. If you are interested, please contact Becky Fox Matthews at becky@lostfrogs.com.

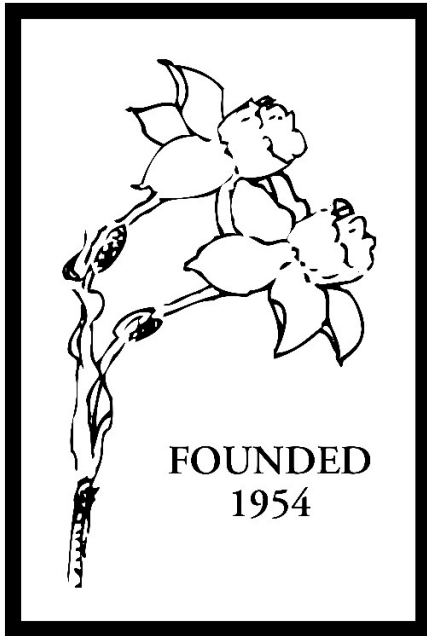
Perennial Plant Sale

Even COVID-19 can't keep a gardener down!

That's why the Perennial Plant Society is taking its big annual plant sale virtual in 2021!

Beginning on March 11, 2021, you will be able to see, read about, and purchase hundreds of locally grown plants for your garden—all at prices competitive with Big Box stores. All online! Check the PPS website (www.ppsmtn.org) links to the order form for exact start dates.

Plants will be available for socially distanced pickup at Ellington Agricultural Center from April 9-11, 2021.



Join the American Daffodil Society and connect with over 1,300 daffodil enthusiasts from around the world!

- Explore thousands of daffodil varieties on DaffSeek.org.
- Receive quarterly issues of our award-winning *The Daffodil Journal*
- Join the conversation on DaffNet.org.
- Access over 400 years of knowledge at DaffLibrary.org.
- View our collection of daffodil presentations at DaffTube.org.

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